

REMARKS

This is responsive to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's Office Action Summary dated September 5, 2003. As a matter of review, Claim 10 was previously cancelled without prejudice. Claims 1 - 9 are currently pending. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for pointing out the typographical error in the clean copy of claim 1 submitted with Applicants' previous response. As the Examiner indicates, the marked-up copy of claim 1 submitted with Applicants' previous response was correct. Instant claim 1 submitted herewith reflects the intended claim for examination. Claim 4 has been amended as to form to correct grammatical errors.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph:

Claims 1 - 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph for the reasons of record stated at pages 2 - 4 of the Office Action. The Office Action indicates that Claim 1 - 9 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome this rejection. The Office Action provides suggested language for this amendment. Applicants have adopted this language and amended claim 1 to reflect this suggested language. Applicants submit that the claims should now be in condition for allowance.

SUMMARY

This is responsive to the Patent Office's Office Action Summary dated September 5, 2003. As the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 has been overcome, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection and allowance of the claims remaining in the instant application.

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